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IN the year of our Lord 1680. between 4 and 5 a Clock in the Evening, at
ory, 10 miles Eastward of Exon; I, and many more viewing strictly
ing Comet in a Cloud in a clear Sky, there appeared Two great Ar-
; one coming out of the North, which I cal'd a Comet on his Head
from the South, and as it seemed furiously joyned Battel, and a fi
ing, ingaged again, and thus continued almost an Hour, till
the Northern back into Oblivion, and so Vanished. Several were so terrified with
this Sight, that they swooned away: This is as true as terrible, alle I would not
have troubled you with it.

Will be therefore very necessary that I remind you of the two late Comets
one in 1664. and the other in 1677. That in 64
and the Sun. That in 77. Horizontal, as the Sun. Its Motion
tions. The last in 1677. Returns the most Dismable Fire (the Divine Justice
all Ages) that ever Hell invented: Now God hath lighted up another Torch to
give us a new Warning, that being forewarned we might be prepared alto,
especially with those Arms of the Church, to wit, Prayer and Praise our
hath not yet met with an Enemy) left those Miracles Militant
which are imminent over us may not allo be Incumbent on us. There is
tainly foreboding more than ordinary God hath upon the Wheel, to Kindle
such a Blaze as this in the very depth of Winter, which is a time Diametrical
contrary to the very Nature of it, for Cold and Moist Weather is alone
unapt to produce thinner Vapour, whereof a
there is Impossible to be too much Careful and too little Fear to conceive
Vapours and Exhalations, but 'tis Manifest that as it is plainly Scripture
Parties those Inclinations, but 'tis more is Supply opposite to their Exhalations

The one out of the NORTH, the other out of the SOUTH, as in the Figure above is represented.

and quite contrary to ascending of them; I before this Day
and prevented. For which reason of them) I hope
even Some Scruple, Superstitious Fancy, or Apprehension
Comet, Or a Revolving Star, Or a Fire-
drawn in the Figure to behold, by its Appearance
and deploy its Tail, which
which God Imputes only for
Cruelties also for its
Sweep out of our Land.

MOST Philosophers agree, that Comets are the Blazing Effects or Tokens of a
highly offended Deity, and the Denunciators of Misery to Mankind;
They are taken for Heralds or Proclaimers of future Calamities and Miseries;
is a most certain Truth, never yet did any Comet appear, but it was the Herald
ger of some Eminent Calamity.

The Eternal Dr. Sydenham says that they are either a Sign of Calamity, or
the efficient Cause of them; If a Sign of Calamity, then their Use is to be Mo-
nitors to Repentance.

Most true it is, That Comets were always look'd upon as the Threatnings
of Divine Vengeance, or the Tongue or Finger of an angry God;
The Learned Dr. Heylin, Writes, That they are Signs, or the Blazing of God,
to terrify and amend Mortals.

The Comets

Say to the Neighbours, That shall be well with him —— Who unto the
vertries, which is to them an evident Token of Perdition: but to you of Sal-
vation, and that of God.